TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2794 - HB 3452

March 7, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Renames the "Judicial Nominating Commission" to the "Judicial Selection Commission." Establishes an application and certification process for applicants for judicial vacancies to be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by a majority vote of the General Assembly under certain circumstances.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- According to the Administrative Office of the Courts, the provisions of the bill will change portions of the process to fill judicial vacancies; the changes to the current procedures will not result in a significant fiscal impact.
- The proposed bill does not change the number of the Commission members or the number of meetings.
- Some appointees may require a legislative confirmation process. Any increase in state expenditures for an applicant to be confirmed by a majority vote of the General Assembly will not be significant and can be accommodated within existing legislative resources.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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